IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: David L. Kaplan Confirmation No.: 6154 Application No.: 10/541,182 Group No.: 1657

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For: SILK FIBROIN MATERIALS AND USE THEREOF

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LETTER TO THE EXAMINER

Pursuant to the Examiner's Comments and Amendment mailed with the Notice of Allowance on April 26, 2010 for the above-identified application, the undersigned submit herewith a clean copy of reference "C20" (Zarkoob et al., *Polymer Preprints*, 39(2):244-245 (1998)) disclosed in the IDS filed on January 27, 2006.

Should anything else be required, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fee deficiencies or credit overpayments associated with the instant filing in above-referenced matter to NIXON PEABODY LLP Deposit Account No. 50-0850.

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